Suddenly, a hole opened up in my room,
and a boy came down out from it.
What?!
H... how does he know my name?!
YOU'RE KUSAKABE TSUBOMI-SAN, AREN'T YOU?
IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU

第2話 An Alien?

I guess this will do.
BUGE
Ah!
IT'S MOM!
TSUBOMI? WHAT'S GOING ON?
KNOCK KNOCK
I JUST HEARD A LOUD NOISE
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS UP TO IN THERE?
WAAAH!
Hold on!
CLICK
SCRAMBLE
CLICK
OH, IT'S NOTHING
MOM
EH--?!
Mom??
REALLY? WELL, OKAY THEN

WHAAA?!
En?!
OKAY, MOM
DON'T MAKE TOO MUCH OF A FUSS EN YOU'LL DISTURB THE PEOPLE DOWNSTAIRS
FLIP FLAP
CLOSE
SPIN
H... he just called my mom 'mom'...!
And mom just called him 'En'...!
SPIN
OOOHH! I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S HAPPENING ANYMORE!!
What's going on?!
Who is this guy?!
Teher~
IT SEEMS LIKE I'VE SURPRISED YOU
I'M SORRY
...
YOU...
JUST WHAT ARE YOU?

I'M EN
He changed his clothes back
MY REAL NAME IS CROW ZET
...AT LEAST, THAT'S THE NAME I'LL BE GOING BY WHILE I'M HERE.
I VE COME HERE FROM VAL CONI A PLANET NOT UNLIKE YOURS
MY OBJECTIVE IS TO EXAMINE THE ECOLOGY HERE ON EARTH
IN OTHER WORDS, I'M WHAT YOU'D CALL AN ALIEN
Huh?!

NO WAY! I-I MEAN, ALIENS ARE LIKE THIS, RIGHT?
Y-YEAH! YEAH! WHERE'S YOUR UFO?
NNN WELL, GOING BY THE TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE TO US THE USE OF UFOS - STARCRAFT BUILT FOR INTERSTELLAR TRAVEL - IS PRETTY INEFFICIENT
AND DON'T THEY COME RIDING IN UFOS?
AS FOR APPEARANCES, IT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR LIFE FORMS UNDERGOING EVOLUTION UNDER SIMILAR CONDITIONS TO END UP LOOKING MOSTLY IDENTICAL
AND THERE'S NO WAY ALIENS WOULD JUST HAPPEN TO LOOK LIKE US!
B_AH
B_AH
WAIT, WAIT!
Maybe I ought to look the part too...
Mumo, mumo
I SEE. I GUESS THIS MEANS I DON'T LOOK 'ALIEN' ENOUGH...
PUTTING WHETHER YOU'RE A REAL ALIEN OR NOT ASIDE,
YOU SEEM TO KNOW WHO I AM AND MOM, TOO
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'VE BEEN SELECTED IN ADVANCE TO BE OUR RESEARCH SAMPLE
AH!
WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO COME HERE?
to my house.
SAMPLE?
?

EHHHHH~~?!
HOLD ON
YOUR AGE, FAMILY STRUCTURE... IN ALL RESPECTS, YOU PROVIDE THE OPTIMUM CONDITIONS FOR ME TO STAY IN YOUR HOME AND PUT YOU UNDER 24-HOUR CLOSE-RANGE OBSERVATION
OBSER-VATION
STAY IN MY HOME...?
YES I'LL BE LIVING WITH YOU FROM NOW ON
AS YOUR TWIN BROTHER
Smile

HOW ABOUT YOU EN? WOULD YOU LIKE SECONDS?
YES, PLEASE
HERE YOU GO
click click
MORE RICE PLEASE, DEAR
This is so wrong!
Uwaaah~ He's totally fitting in!
itch itch
Haah~
Things have sure taken a turn for the weird...
WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN FROM NOW ON?
Clack
It works better for me this way
Because I need you two to cooperate with my research
Why didn't you do the same to Reima and I?
I've manipulated the memories of your mom, dad, and everyone at your school to believe that I've always been your brother and live together with you

THANKS FOR THE MEAL~
CLATTER
OH, DONE ALREADY TSUBOMI?
SOMEHOW, I DON'T FEEL VERY HUNGRY
SWAY
CHEW
CLICK
BLINK
EH...?!
Two desks... and bunk beds?!
THERE WEREN'T ANY OTHER ROOMS
AND WE ARE TWINS, AFTER ALL
IS HE SERIOUS?!
We've only just met today... and now... this guy keeps going on about nonsense like aliens and taking people as samples...
SHARE THE SAME ROOM?!
YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!
NOTHING STRANGE ABOUT SHARING THE SAME ROOM, IS THERE?

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